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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that the following reference(s) be considered in the examination of the above-identified patent application:

USP 6,453,476
USP 6,446,270
USP 6,317,895
USP 6,298,498
USP 6,292,952
USP 6,260,212
USP 6,159,324

USP 6,154,889
USP 6,032,297
USP 5,898,949
USP 5,619,754
USP 5,609,802
USP 5,565,155
USP 5,319,808
USP 5,298,208
USP 5,150,479
USP 5,117,506
USP 5,044,016
USP 4,656,667
USP 4,615,438
USP 4,051,555
USP D431,328
USP D421,820
USP D420,771
USP D420,770

The above-identified reference(s) are listed on the attached PTO Form 1449 and copies are also enclosed herewith.

This submission, is in no way intended as an admission that the above-cited references constitute prior art under any subsection of 35 U.S.C. § 102. Applicant expressly retains the right to take any actions necessary to remove the above-cited references from the available prior art.


Consideration of the above-identified references in the examination of the present patent application is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		6,453,476	9/24/02	Moore, III			
		6,446,270	9/10/02	Durr			
		6,317,895	11/20/01	Erth et al.			
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		6,292,952	9/25/01	Watters et al.			
		6,260,212	7/17/01	Orotelli et al.			
		6,159,324	12/12/00	Watters et al.			
		6,154,889	12/5/00	Moore, III et al.			
		6,032,297	3/7/00	Barthold et al.			
		5,898,949	5/4/99	Barthold et al.			
		5,619,754	4/15/97	Thurwanger et al.			
		5,609,802	3/11/97	Jeng			
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		4,656,667	4/14/87	Blake			
		4,615,438	10/7/86	Roseberg et al.			
		4,051,555	10/4/77	Daly			
		D431,328	9/26/00	Tanner			
		D421,820	3/21/00	Johnson			
		D420,771	2/15/00	Burns			
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